

1 RESOLUTION NO. 2021-337

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3 SPONSOR Executive Shapiro

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5 DATE November 8, 2021 COMMITTEE Human Services

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7 **A Resolution authorizing the Executive, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, to**  
8 **execute Change Order No. 1 to a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Agreement with**  
9 **Akron Community Service Center & Urban League, Inc. to provide Employment**  
10 **Preparedness/Placement and Benefits Cliff Support services, from 7/1/21 through 9/30/22,**  
11 **in an amount not to exceed \$288,350.00 (for a cumulative increase of 58%), for a total**  
12 **amount not to exceed \$788,350.00, for the Executive's Department of Job and Family**  
13 **Services, and declaring an emergency.**

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15 WHEREAS, this Council previously adopted Resolution No. 2021-204, which confirmed  
16 the award by the Board of Control of a Temporary Assistance to Needy Families ("TANF")  
17 Agreement with Akron Community Service Center & Urban League, Inc. to provide  
18 Employment Preparedness/Placement and Benefits Cliff Support services for the Executive's  
19 Department of Jobs and Family Services ("DJFS"), from 7/1/21 through 9/30/22, in an amount  
20 not to exceed \$500,000.00; and

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22 WHEREAS, the provided services assist TANF eligible persons in attaining and  
23 maintaining employment while assisting them with potential rapid public assistance benefits  
24 reductions known as the "benefits cliff". Recipients increasing incomes due to obtaining  
25 employment often quickly experience a reduction or loss of essential benefits, such as,  
26 supplemental nutrition assistance program services (SNAP), cash assistance, Medicaid, housing  
27 and childcare subsidies. Often benefit losses are not offset by new earnings, making it very  
28 difficult to maintain employment; and

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30 WHEREAS, Akron Community Service Center & Urban League, Inc. provides support  
31 to TANF eligible persons in transition to employment via an intensive case management model  
32 that includes: job readiness training, career assessment, job training/certification, financial  
33 literacy/budgeting, barrier removal support services (such as referral services, transportation,  
34 child care, work uniforms/tools/supplies), employer engagement, job placement, job  
35 coaching/mentoring and up to 18 months of job retention monitoring; and

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37 WHEREAS, the Executive wishes to increase the TANF agreement with Akron  
38 Community Service Center & Urban League, Inc. to provide increased Employment  
39 Preparedness/Placement and Benefits Cliff Support services and to allow the provider to capture  
40 all allocable program costs; and

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42 WHEREAS, the Executive will recommend to the Board of Control, at its meeting to be  
43 held on October 27, 2021, that the Board award Change Order No. 1 to the TANF Agreement  
44 with the Akron Community Service Center & Urban League, Inc. to provide Employment  
45 Preparedness/Placement and Benefits Cliff Support services, from 7/1/21 through 9/30/22, in an  
46 amount not to exceed \$288,350.00 (for a cumulative increase of 58%), for a total amount not to  
47 exceed \$788,350.00; and

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49 WHEREAS, this Council finds and determines, after reviewing all pertinent information,  
50 that the aforementioned Change Order No. 1, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, is  
51 necessary and in the best interest of the County of Summit;

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4 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the County of Summit, State  
5 of Ohio, that:

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7 SECTION 1

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9 The Executive is hereby authorized, subject to the approval of the Board of Control, to  
10 execute Change Order No. 1 to the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families ("TANF")  
11 Agreement with Akron Community Service Center & Urban League, Inc. to provide  
12 Employment Preparedness/Placement and Benefits Cliff Support services, from 7/1/21 through  
13 9/30/22, in an amount not to exceed \$288,350.00 (for a cumulative increase of 58%), for a total  
14 amount not to exceed \$788,350.00, and any other necessary related documents.

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16 SECTION 2

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18 This Resolution is hereby declared an emergency in the interest of health, safety, and  
19 welfare of the residents of the County of Summit, and for the further reason to immediately  
20 provide for the aforementioned additional services by Akron Community Service Center &  
21 Urban League, Inc.

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23 SECTION 3


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25 Provided this Resolution receives the affirmative vote of eight members, it shall take  
26 effect immediately upon its adoption and approval by the Executive; otherwise, it shall take  
27 effect and be in force at the earliest time provided by law.

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29 SECTION 4

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31 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating  
32 to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all  
33 deliberations of this Council and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action,  
34 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements, including Section  
35 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

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37 INTRODUCED October 25, 2021

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39 ADOPTED November 8, 2021

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42 CLERK OF COUNCIL

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45 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

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47 APPROVED November 9, 2021

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EXECUTIVE

ENACTED EFFECTIVE November 9, 2021